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Come Celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day!

Waukesha, WIS. – Come to a free public event to celebrate diversity and honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Monday, January 15 from 5 – 7 p.m. at Butler Middle School in Waukesha.

"Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s life and legacy brought hope, healing and unity to America," said Waukesha School District Superintendent Dave Schmidt. "His inspiring words paved the way for intercultural tolerance and cooperation. I believe that it is important to instill these values in our children, and I hope that this event will help promote the acceptance of cultural differences in our community."

From 5-6 p.m., attendees will be able to sample ethnic foods, visit public display booths and listen to music performed by Alma Labina and Big O & The Shakers.

The program will start promptly at 6 p.m. and will feature keynote speaker Joanne Williams, a FOX 6 News Anchor/Reporter.

Immediately following the program, guests will be invited to enjoy refreshments and spend more time learning about the community at public display booths. The event will officially conclude at 7 p.m.

The event planning partners include: the Waukesha School District, City of Waukesha, Waukesha County, Waukesha County Technical College, La Casa de Esperanza, Catholic Memorial High School, and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People – Waukesha County Branch.

Butler Middle School is located at 310 North Hine Avenue, Waukesha. For more information about the event or the planning effort, please call the Waukesha School District Superintendent's Office at (262) 970-1012.

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